(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Closure of industrial units

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PROF. (SHRIMATI) BHARATI RAY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of industrial units both in Public and Private Sectors closed down during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the number of employees who lost their employment due to closure of these industrial units; unit-wise; and

(c) the details of the measures taken to rehabilitate/compensate the employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH): (a) and (b) Ministry of Labour collects information on industrial closure in respect of units covered by Industrial Disputes Act, 1947. Sector-wise information on number of closures and workers affected as a result of these closures during the last three years is given in the Statement *(See* below*)*.

(c) In case of Public Sector Units, compensation to rationalised workers is given under Voluntary Retirement Scheme(VRS)/Voluntary Separation Scheme (VSS) as per guidelines of the Department of Public Enterprises (DPE). A Scheme of retraining/rehabilitation of employees availing of VRS is also being implemented by DPE.

Statement

Sector-wise number of units closed and workers affected therein during 1998-2001

Year	Public Sector		Co-operative Sector		Joint Sector		Private Sector		TOTAL	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
1998	6	1238	3	1921	0	0	166	10227	175	13386
1999(P)	1	21	1	117	0	0	157	15569	159	15707
2000(P)	2	333	1	78	0	0	135	11493	138	11904
2001(P)	3	141	1	79	0	0	88	4065	92	4285

A - Number of units
B - Workers affected
(P) - Provisional

Source: Labour Bureau, Simla